

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An automatic printing restriction and control method for an image processing device that comprises a facsimile communication unit capable of handling plural communication methods including facsimile communications via Internet, and prints out documents received by the facsimile communication unit, comprising: presetting whether or not automatic printing of received documents is to be implemented, separately with respect to each of the plural communication methods; and restricting and controlling implementation of automatic printing of received documents in accordance with the settings.